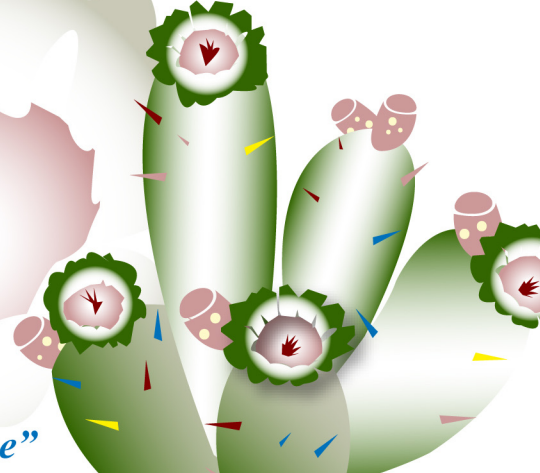




Cactus Chronicle

*"Glendale –
Proud to be the home of Luke Air Force Base"*



Councilmember Phil Lieberman, Glendale Arizona

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Cactus District Meeting November 19 Save the Date

Please mark Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. on your calendars for the next Cactus District meeting. More details to come.



Luke Forward Campaign Kick Off. Government and business leaders kicked off a statewide campaign on Wednesday at the Arizona Capitol to bring the new F-35 joint strike fighter to Luke Air Force Base.

Luke Air Force Base is currently the largest active-duty F-16 training base in the world and the Air Force is beginning to replace its fleet of F-16s with the new F-35 Lightning II. The Air Force is expected to release its initial list of military bases that will be candidates for the F-35's training and operational missions within the next couple weeks and make its final F-35 basing decision in early 2011.

Through the Luke Forward campaign, state and local government and business leaders plan to generate support from citizens living in every city and town in Arizona in order to position the state as a strong supporter of the F-35 training mission with the nation's decision makers in Washington, D.C.

Residents and businesses will be learning about Luke Forward through the creation of a new Web site, a speaker's bureau, presentations to business groups, electronic billboards, the use of social media – such as Facebook and Twitter – cable programs and other means.

The focal point will be the campaign's Web site www.lukeforward.com, where residents are being encouraged to register their support of the F-35 training mission at Luke.

For more information on Luke Forward and the importance of Luke Air Force Base to the State of Arizona, visit the campaign's website. If you are interested in scheduling a business or community presentation, call (623) 882-2191.

New Exhibition at the Bead Museum. *From Caves to Castles: If Beads Could Talk* features the private collection of ancient beads and beaded artifacts of museum founder Gabrielle Liese. Beads have been a universal part of the human experience since the beginning of civilization. They are found in every culture and country across the globe from ancient times to the present.

From Caves to Castles covers prehistory (early hominid-caveman era) until the end of the Islamic Period (1400 AD) and probes the question of why beads are an important pathway to understanding human culture. From the simple shell beads of early hominids to the complex glass beads of the Islamic era, visitors will experience the bead story from around the globe and through time. Significant events and turning points in history will be explored from the perspective of beads.

The Bead Museum is the first and largest museum in the world dedicated to the collection, preservation, research, and interpretation of beads and related artifacts. Located at 5754 W. Glenn Drive, The Bead Museum offers guided tours, beading classes, educational workshops and an extensive research library. For more information, [click here](#) or call (623) 931-2737.

Help With Recession Issues. Through its Recession Response series of programs, Glendale Public Library can help residents deal with problems that so many citizens face in tough times. Upcoming classes and workshops include:

- Saturday, October 17 at 10 a.m., **Job searching online**
- Tuesday, October 20 at 10 a.m., **Job searching after 40**
- Wednesday, October 21 at 7 p.m., **Job fair workshop: Where the jobs are and how to present yourself to employers**

Recession Response classes and workshop are held at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown Street. [Read more.](#)

Glendale Police: 100 Years of Excellence. Law enforcement is the cornerstone of a safe and happy community, an absolute necessity for our residents, but also a fascinating topic of interest. A new Glendale 11 documentary, "Glendale Police: 100 Years of Excellence," celebrates the city and police department's centennial anniversary in 2010.

Viewers will take an historical journey, beginning with old police footage and interviews with former chiefs and officers who share their thoughts on how law enforcement has changed over the years. The show also honors the two Glendale officers who were killed in the line of duty, with personal interviews of their family members and co-workers.

"Glendale Police: 100 Years of Excellence" can be seen on Glendale 11 every Wednesday at 8 p.m. and various other times throughout the week. [Read more.](#)

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.

Friday Nite Lights on October 16. Friday Nite Lights kicks it off with an early Halloween twist on Friday, October 16 from 5 to 9 p.m. Shoppers will enjoy an evening of fun-filled activities with a special theme of "No Tricks, Just Treats." Participants are encouraged to start their shopping adventure at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, where a downtown walking map and a list of activities and shops can be picked up. [Read more.](#)

15th Annual Front Porch Festival & Old Towne Marketplace. The 15th Annual Front Porch Festival and Old Towne Marketplace will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 17 in Historic Catlin Court District, Old Towne and the Promenade at Paltaire in downtown Glendale. This event features a day of shopping with special activities on the lawns and front porches of the charming shops and boutiques. More than 80 shops and eateries are offering many special activities, including demonstrations, make-and-take crafts and special treats. Shoppers may start the day at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, where walking maps and a list of activities for the day are available. [Read more.](#)

Free Landscape Class: Desert Vegetable Gardening Made Easy. Learn how to grow vegetables in your backyard from garden author, Mary Irish. Join us from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Monday, October 19 at the Glendale Main Library Auditorium, 5959 W. Brown Street. Please register by calling (623) 930-3760.

Midwestern University Community Health Lecture – Macular Pigment. Join us for "Macular Pigment: 'See' What It Can Tell You about Your Potential for Diabetes as Well as Overall Vision Health." Michael Engles, Ph.D., Assistant Professor in the Physiological Optics and Ecological Vision Laboratory at MWU will discuss the diet-derived yellow spot in the human eye that has been identified as a possible biomarker for studying the onset, progression and treatment of various diseases. The program will take place at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, October 20 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Avenue, in the Roadrunner Room. Reservations are not necessary. Call (623) 930-3846 for more information.

Live at the Library. Join us for Wayward Maggie at 7 p.m., Thursday, October 22 in the Main Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St. The duo Wayward Maggie consists of Jess Hawk Oakenstar and Kate DeLaPointe, who met at the library where they both work. Their musical presentation/persona comes to rest somewhere between mournfully dark and rockingly/rollickingly comedic. For more information call (623) 930-3573.

Shred It & Forget It Event. The Glendale Police Department is teaming up with the Target Corporation to provide residents with an opportunity to combat identity theft, the fastest growing crime in the United States. Shred It & Forget It will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, October 24. Bring up to three boxes (per household) of personal paperwork to have shredded on site in the Target Parking lot at 10404 N. 43rd Avenue. [Read more.](#)

GlendOberfest. Games, contests and candy await you at GlendOberfest! Held at Sahuaro Ranch Historic Area, from 5-10 p.m. on October 31, this annual event features carnival-style games, on-site trick-or-treating, a Hallowypics parade and more. Bring your pre-carved or decorated jack-o-lantern for the pumpkin contest. Everyone is encouraged to dress in costume. This event is a great alternative to traditional door-to-door trick-or-treating. Sahuaro Ranch is located at 59th Avenue and Mountain View Road. For more information, [click here](#) or call (623) 930-2042.

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